Turbulence, Transition, and Numerical Method Technologies



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Project Introduction

The Turbulence, Transition, and Numerical Method Technologies effort identifies and down-selects critical turbulence, transition, and numerical method capability improvements that enable at least a 40% reduction in predictive error against standard test cases. The project will examine turbulent separated flows, evolution of free shear flows, and shock-boundary layer interactions utilizing state-of-the-art high performance computing hardware.

Anticipated Benefits

The development of physics-based computational tools envisioned in Revolutionary Computational Aerosciences will yield a number of benefits: deliver a capability to the aeronautics community to improve designs and reduce design cycle times; accelerate introduction of advanced air vehicles and propulsion systems into the airspace system; enable simulation and certification by analysis, thereby reducing flight testing and resulting in savings of up to \$1B from an aircraft development program.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners





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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Glenn Research Center(GRC)	Lead	NASA	Cleveland,
	Organization	Center	Ohio
Air Force Research	Supporting	US	Notre Dame,
Laboratory(AFRL)	Organization	Government	Indiana
Massachusetts Institute of Technology(MIT)	Supporting Organization	Academia	Cambridge, Massachusetts
Old Dominion	Supporting	Academia	Norfolk,
University	Organization		Virginia
Stanford	Supporting	Academia	Stanford,
University(Stanford)	Organization		California
The University of Texas at Austin	Supporting Organization	Academia	Austin, Texas
University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign	Supporting Organization	Academia	Urbana, Illinois
University of Notre	Supporting	Academia	Notre Dame,
Dame(Notre Dame)	Organization		Indiana
University of	Supporting	Academia	Laramie,
Wyoming	Organization		Wyoming

Primary U.S. Work Locations

Virginia

Project Transitions



October 2013: Project Start

Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate (ARMD)

Lead Center / Facility:

Glenn Research Center (GRC)

Responsible Program:

Transformative Aeronautics Concepts Program

Project Management

Program Director:

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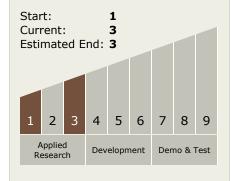
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Technology Maturity (TRL)





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May 2018: Closed out

Closeout Summary: The close collaboration in the validation experiment ation effort was excellent, the complementary research efforts related t o fundamental numerical model development, and the activities related to effective HPC utilization on near term architectures that are coming d own the pipeline were exactly what NASA should be doing. Even though the TQR panel cannot say that the success criteria were fully met, we do feel that the research funded by TTT/RCA was successful and useful in d etermining the next suite of CFD validation tests and the problematic flo w conditions that continue to be difficult to predict using our current sui te of computational tools. Given the TQR Panel's review criteria: 1. The deliverables meet the technical requirements; 2. The appropriate techni cal approaches were followed in producing the deliverables; and 3. All t echnical caveats and concerns have been identified and the deliverable s: a. Development of more accurate physics-based methods (e.g., highe r moment closure); b. Large eddy simulation (LES); c. Advanced numeri cal methods; d. Transition prediction and modeling; e. Validation experi ments; f. Multidisciplinary analysis and design (high fidelity). TQR panel feels that the technical processes were all completed and that the revie w criteria and all the deliverables were met. Thus, the Milestone TACP-2 016-001 has been completed.

Project Website:

https://www.nasa.gov/aeroresearch/programs/tacp/ttt

Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX15 Flight Vehicle Systems
 TX15.1 Aerosciences
 TX15.1.7
 Computational Fluid
 Dynamics (CFD)
 Technologies
- Target Destination
 Foundational Knowledge

